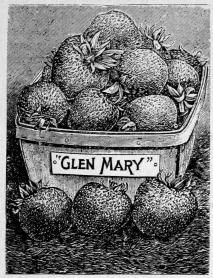
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I will give \$100 in gold for 12 plants of any variety that is as large, as produc= tive, and as good quality as the Glen Mary. W. F. ALLEN, Jr.



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SALISBURY, MD.

# GREETING.

POR THE PATRONAGE I have received in the past, permit me to offer my humble and profound thanks. My success in the plant busi-

iness has been a constant growth from year to year, until now my customers are numbered by the thousand, while ten years ago there were hardly enough to number by the dozen. It has been my constant aim to treat every customer in a way that would be gratifying to him and an advertisement to my business, and judging from the hundreds and hundreds of flattering letters received from my customers, I have very nearly succeeded in pleasing every person who has bought plants of me. In the future, as in the past, it shall be my constant aim to send out plants that will be the pride of the purchaser,, the admiration of his neighbor and a growing advertisement of Allen's plants.

To the several hundred persons who sent in late orders last season, which had to be returned on account of the stock they wanted being sold out before their orders came to hand, I wish to say that of all the varieties of which I run out last spring, I now have double the quantity I ever had before, and will, I think, be able to fill all the orders intrusted to me; but my advice to all is to order early and then you will get what you want.

MY STOCK is the largest and finest I have had since I have been in the business. By thorough cultivation, the ground has been kept clean from weeds and grass and the earth loose and mellow, consequently strong, well rooted, vigorous and healthy plants is the result. My plants are all grown in loose, light, well manured soil that produces an abundance of fibrous roots that easily some up with the plants and are not broken off in digging as is the result when grown in clay or stiff soils.

MY FACILITIES have been greatly increased since last year, and all orders will be filled as near the time stated in order as it is possible to do so. I have just completed a large and commodious packing house that will greatly facilitate our work, and all orders will be filled with the greatest promptness possible consistent with correct labeling and unsurpassed packing by skilled workmen.

TIME OF SHIPMENT.—We commence to ship our southern customers during mild weather any time after they receive this catalogue. In most seasons we can fill a limited number of orders in January and February for the South, and as late as the 10th of May for our northern customers; but for all sections it is advisable to order early and name the date for shipment as early as you can possibly use the plants. This is good advice for several reasons, as plants when shipped early, if to go a long distance, are less liable to damage in the package, they have less foliage and can be packed lighter, thereby lightening express charges; and another good reason, plants set early almost invariably do well if cared for by an intelligent person, while those planted very late in the season eften do well but frequently fail entirely.

ORDERS.—Please be sure to write your name and address plainly—give Post Office, County and State,—and do this every time you write. Be particular to say how the goods are to be sent, whether by mail, express or freight. If by express name company. All orders too heavy for mail should go by express, as freight is slow and unreliable, therefore not safe for perishable goods, except for short distance. Keep a correct copy of the order and check off the stock when it arrives; people often forget what they order and make unjust complaint.

**GUARANTEE.**—I warrant my stock to be true to name and to reach customers in good condition.

CLAIMS, if any, must be made on receipt of goods, when they will be carefully and cheerfully examined, and, if just, all made satisfactory. Claims made after fifteen days from receipt of goods will not be entertained. I send out only good stock in good condition, carefully packed, in all cases, but success or fail-

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good stock in good condition, carefully packed, in all cases, but success or failure depends in so large a degree upon the weather and the care and management after received, that I do not, because I cannot, undertake to guarantee

stock to live.

**PACKING** is executed with the utmost care. Special pains are taken to pack lightly, thereby reducing the expense to a minimum. All goods at prices quoted are packed free. Everything is labeled.

SPECIAL LOW EXPRESS RATES.—By special arrangement we are now able to ship our customers by express, to any part of the country, plants at the hundred pound merchandise rate, less a special reduction of 20 per cent. therefrom. Thus we secure for our customers a low express rate on all shipments.

**PAYMENTS** INVARIABLY IN ADVANCE. Goods sent C. O. D. only when one fourth the amount is sent with order, with charges for returning money added to bill.

**REMIT** by Money Order on Salisbury, Md., by Registered Letter, by Check, or by express. Postage stamps taken for fractional parts of a dollar. 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 15 cent stamps preferred. Canadian customers will please remit by Express, Money Order or Canadian bills. Foreign customers will please remit by Money Order on Baltimore, Md.

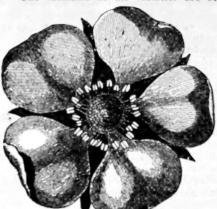
Aprit sometimes happens that we send two catalogues to one address. Should you receive more than one copy please hand the extra one to some friend who will be interested in it.

#### MY PLANTS.

I call your special attention to my fine large stock of plants. which is probably the largest and most valuable selection to be found in this country. No time or expense has been spared to find the best of everything in the strawberry family for our customers. The past season I have traveled far and near that I might see the new varieties claimed to be of great merit, in fruit. I have found but few if any that were equal to the new varieties I offered last year, and for this reason they have not been added to my collection, or offered in my catalogue. Many varieties of CLAIMED importance have been found wanting and have been left out of my list. I would also draw your attention to the fact that my stock is STRICTLY PURE. Agents may tell you that because I sell stock at one half their prices it is not true to name. But if it should be found otherwise I will be found at Salisbury, Md.; but if theirs should be badly mixed, WHERE WOULD YOU FIND THE AGENT? Echo answers, where? My business is directly with the growers and I invite one and all who can do so to examine my stock. Some unscrupulous Western nurserymen, struggling to direct trade to themselves, have been publishing the claims through their catalogues that "Maryland stock, or Eastern stock, is very inferior to Western grown." That claim has no foundation whatever, and no respectable person would allow such a statement to be printed over his name. The fact is, there are good plants and poor plants grown throughout the East, and there are good plants and poor plants grown throughout the West, and the kind of plants you get depends largely upon the kind of man you buy from. I have bought plants from a great many different sections and different men and I have almost invariably found that the men I bought from had more to do with the quality of the plants reeeived than the section of country from which they came. Some of those Western men who have been making claims that Maryland stock is inferior to Western stock are among my largest customers, and I challenge any Western grower to produce finer, larger and healtheir and better rooted strawberry plants than I can and do grow here in Wicomico county, Maryland.

### STRAWBERRIES.

The blossoms of all varieties are bi-sexual or perfect,



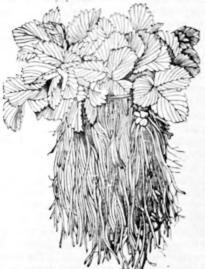
except those marked with the letter P, which are destitute of



stamens, and are termed pistillate or imperfect, as is shown by the following figures. Pistillate varieties must have a row of a perfect flowered sort planted every 9 or 12 feet apart among them, or, better yet, every third or fourth row, to pollenize their blossoms. When properly' fertilized the pistillate



varieties are the most prolific and there is no reason for any prejudice against them. Success depends in a great measure on getting fine, healthy plants, STRICTLY PURE and TRUE TO NAME. This I KNOW my plants to be.



Bunch o, Plants, Trimmed and Tied Ready for Shipment.



In shipping plants we send out nothing but young plants, grown under the socalled "pedigree system." We never send out old plants. When grown on deep, black soil, the roots of young plants are of a dark color, but soft, succulent, and nearly uniform in size and appearance. With old plants the lower roots are black, dead and wiry, with generally a few young roots near the crown. We clean all plants of dead leaves and tie in bunches before packing. To ship a long distance in good condition and to overcome the danger of damage in shipment, we pack large lots in cases designed and manufactured expressly for that purpose.

#### HOW AND WHEN TO PLANT.

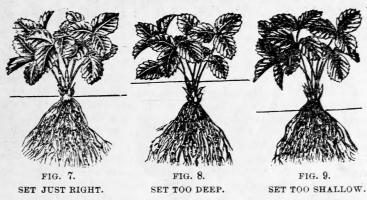


Figure 7 shows you a plant properly placed in the ground, The top of the crown, where the leaves come out, should be just above the surface, after the plant is set and the soil leveled down around it, The lines in these figures indicate the the surface of the ground.

Figure 8 shows a plant set too deep. Earth over the crown will usually kill it, or at least prevent its doing well. Figure 9 shows a plant set too shallow. The air can get to the roots and so can the sunshine, and the plant will not do well under such conditions. The roots should all be in the ground. I do not suppose anyone would set a plant quite so deep as in figure 8, nor quite so shallow as shown by figure 9. I have exaggerated these cuts to make the lesson plain. Also the leaves on the plants are a little more upright than you usually find them when setting out. They often crinkle down so as to be in the way. Of course we had to put them out of the way in these pictures so as to show you plainly just how to do the setting. Do not make the holes except as fast as you want to set the plants. So as to have the soil moist where the roots will touch. Take the plants out of the pail only as fast as you want to set them.

EARLY SPRING, just as soon as the ground can be easily worked, IS THE BEST TIME OF ALL THE WHOLE YEAR to plant strawberries in any section where there are extreme frosts in winter, especially if planting is to be done on a large scale and plants have to be brought from a distance. How to plant will depend largely upon local conditions, size and shape of the field, etc. In the small family garden or city lot, where there is little chance to use horse and cultivator they may be planted one foot apart each way, in two or three rows then leave a space of three feet to furnish path during picking season. Planted in this way all runners should be kept off the original plants, since for their best development they require each about one square foot.

For field culture mark out the rows  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 5 feet wide and set plants 18 to 24 inches apart in the rows. Then if we wish to follow the narrow row system we let each plant strike a few runners along the line of the row, and then, later in the season keep all runners off; while if the broad matted row is wanted, all runners are allowed to take root and the cultivator narrowed up a little at each cultivation during the latter part of the season, till we have matted rows of plants two feet wide, with walk one foot wide between them. The narrow is the more profitable of these two systems, yet the matted row is the most adopted as many are of the opinion that the more plants the more berries.

#### POOR PLANTS AND GOOD PLANTS



Look at the accompanying figure 2 and you will see a small, feeble plant such as are sent out by some nurserymen and called cheap, because they only ask a small price per 1000 for them, when the fact is they are extremely costly at any price, or

FIG. 2-A POOR PLANT. even as a gift. I have often bought new varieties at fancy prices and had just this kind of stock sent me, and opening them I often hear my workmen say: "Why is it people send you such common plants? You do not send away anything as common as that." We do not send our customers any Fig. 3-A GOOD PLANT such plants but throw all such in the trash heap.



Now look at fig. 3 and you will get some idea of the kind of plants you get when you order from me. I buy plants largely myself and for my own planting I would sooner pay \$5 per 1000 for plants like the one shown in fig. 3 than I would plant fig. 2 as a gift. I have tried both and know whereof I speak. Fig. 2 will stay just as far behind fig, 3 all the year as it appears in the above illustration, no matter how much attention you may give them. Now friends decide which you will take, and if you decide on fig. 3 plants I would be pleased to have your order, and will do all in my power to give you satisfaction but if you want the kind shown in fig. 2, SEND TO THAT OTHER FELLOW.

#### NEW VARIETIES.

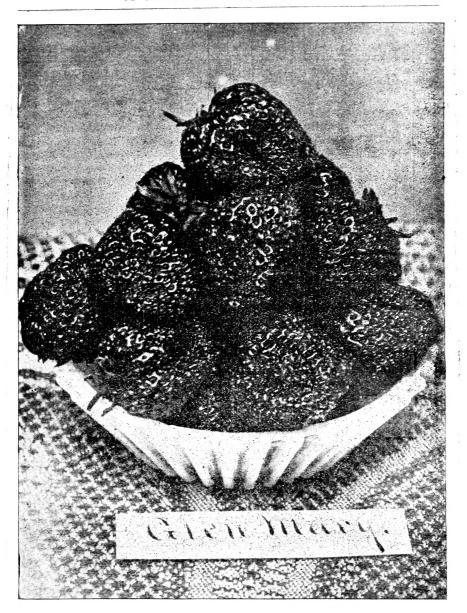
I am not offering as many new varieties this spring as usual. This is because I was unable to find any new varieties that was really as good as several of those I offered for the first time last spring, such as Glen Mary, Clyde, Enormous. Brunette, Brandywine, etc. We have not found any new varieties for the last twelve months that would surpass or even equal the above named varieties, consequently we are again putting them to the front at a price within the reach of all. Our stock of all the most valuable kinds is the largest and most valuable we have ever grown.

Polk Co., Fla., April 1, 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr., Salisbury. Md. Dear Sir:-The strawberry plants came in due time and in most excellent condition. I never saw finer rooted plants in my life. I am very much pleased with them. Thanks for the extras. Yours, etc., B. F. HARN.

Cambbell Co., Ky., March 25, 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr. Dear Sir:—I received the strawberry plants by express today. They were in the best condition and as fresh as when dug although they were on the road four days. They were the finest lot of plants ever received here, so several strawberry growers tell me that saw them. Accept thanks for promptness and liberal count. Very respectfully. JOSEPH SAUCER.

Jefferson Co., Mo., March 31, 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr. Dear Sir:-I received the strawberry plants by express today. They were in fine condition and as fresh as when dug although they were on the road five days. It was a sight worth seeing Those fine thrifty plants seemed to be growing right along. The packing cannot be excelled. Both plants and packing were the best I ever saw. Receive thanks for promptness and liberal account.

Fraternally vonrs, JOHN ULRICH, Jr.



GLEN MARY—I offered this berry to the public last season believing it to be the best berry for large size, good quality and productiveness that has ever been offered the American people and I especially recommended it for the home garden and near market. I am now prepared to say it is fairly firm and will bear shipment comparatively well. When Crescent will bring 5c and Bubach 10c per quart. Glen Mary ought to bring 20c per quart if size and quality cuts any figure in the price, and it is my candid opinion that for size, productiveness

Cass Co., Mo., April 8, '96.
W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir:—The plants you sent me came all safe and in good shape. Many thanks for the good METHODIST MEASURE By the looks of the roots your soil must be sandy. I can never grow such long roots.

Yours truly, J. P. BOYER,

and quality the Glen Mary has no equal So sure am I that it has no equal in these three respects that I am offering \$100.00 in gold for one dozen plants of any variety that will equ I the Glen Mary in size, productiveness and quality, see offer and cut (natural size) on pages 16 and 17. In productiveness it far surpasses the Crescent, not in number of berries but in quarts. One quar-

ter of an acre picked at the rate of 1280 quarts per acre at a single picking and over 12000 quarts per acre for the season without any petting or special attention whatever, 12 specimens filled a quart.

As to its immense size the Rural New Yorker speaks as follows: "Glen Mary received from E. T. Ingram, April 1894. Imperfet bi-sexual. June 7,1895 largest ripe berries up to date. Good shape for so large a berry. June 9th berries very large, firm enough for a near market, about the shape of Sharoless. June 11th, large to very large. June 14th, a large yielder of large berries of good form, broad heart shaped often widening at the tip, one of the most promising of our lafter trials. June 17th, past its best. June 18th, still bearing a good many berries which hold their size unusually well. June 21st still in bearing. Many of the berries are of the largest size,"

J. D. Ray of Texas says: "My strawberry plants are doing fine especially the Glen Mary. I gathered from my spring set plants the largest berries I have ever seen grow in Texas. I feel confident that it is all that has been claimed for it."

John Little describes it in October issue of Horticulture as follows: "Glea Wary, largest of all, dark, glossy, fairly firm, good quality, a great bearer and evidently fine for market."

Geo. F. Beede of New Hampshire writes: "It is a pleasure to speak well of Gien Mary, as it is such a productive variety of very large fine looking fruit. It is more productive than Brandywine, Wm. Belt, Lovett or Cyclene."

A. L. Smith of Washington (state) says: "Glen Mary is a very strong healthy plant, very prolific, of good size and bright glossy color, generally of good form. I like it, with me it is away ahead of Brandywine."

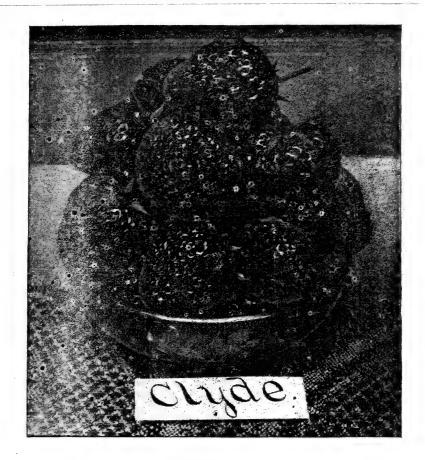
GIANT—"In our search for big strawberries, another has been found that is sure to attract great attention; a heavy, stocky plant, perfect-blooming, of Cumberland type. Moderately productive of extra large, light scarlet berries, smooth and handsome as great tomatoes. Single specimens weigh an ounce or more, and twenty of average size fill a quart basket. The originator claims it to be the largest berry grown and of most \*\*ONOTOME OF THE OF

excellent quality."—Introducer.

This berry has fruited here only in a small way. We picked some berries that were very nice, good shape, above medium size, and quite firm. Last year (1895) the vines made a poor growth and showed considerable rust. This year (1896) it has grown much better and hassbown practically no rust.

Smyth Co., Va., April 28, '96, Mr. Allen:—The plants came in fine order and are the very best I eyer bought, as well as the cheapest. I never saw finer roots, and so much less top than one usually gets. You certainly deserve success for growing such fine plants, and I hope you will have it.

Very truly, Mrs. S. C. SOOK.



REDUCED SIZE.

**CLYDE.**—This new berry seems to be gaining great favor wherever known. It originated with Dr. J. Stayman several years ago. It is a seedling of the Cyclone, and the Cyclone is a cross between the Crescent and the Cumberland. The Clyde has Crescent blood in it and no doubt gets its immense productiveness from that variety. With me it is as large as the Bubach, nearly or quite a week

Bricquebec, France, May 8, '96. W. F. Allen, Jr., Salisbury, Md. Dear Sir:—I received the strawberry plants yesterday, May 7th, in good order. Thanks for extras. Very truly yours, Gambillon.

◆ earlier and very much firmer. It is a strong staminate and therefore is suitable for pollenizing medium and medium early pistillate varieties. The plant is very vigorous and healthy, there being no trace of disease about it that I have ◆ ever seen. The foliage is light green in

color and somewhat resembles the Haverland, but it is a more upright and sturdy grower. Season of ripening, medium early. It is a dark scarlet in color and very productive. Its strong plants, with an abundance of long roots, which penetrate the soil deeper than most varieties, enable it to withstand drouth

Linn Co., Oregon, March 10, '96. Mr. Allen:-The strawberry plants come in splendid condition, never saw such nice plants. Many thanks for extras and generous honest dealing. Yours in future.

W. N. PHILLIPS.

remarkably well. We consider it one of the best berries for general purposes now before the public. Having fruited it two years we know whereof we speak It is certainly a splendid berry and no one will ever regret planting it. Our accompanying illustration was made from a photograph and is considerably

reduced in size.

S. H. Warren of Weston, Mass, speaks of the Clyde in December issue of the STRAWBERRY CULTURIST as follows: "Those that have fruited it for three years speak in the highest terms of it; but I will say that with one year's fruiting that it did far better than anything I ever had. I never had a variety that I was so well pleased with. The truit was very large and lots of it. I wish you

could have heard the exclamations of > those who saw it when the truit was ripe. One old grower says he shall set \( \) nearly all Clyde next season. I think \( \) it possesses more good points than any I have ever grown."

E. B. Stevenson of Ontario Canada, says: "Clyde as large as Bubach and

as productive as Haverland, in fact the Clyde is one of the finest of berries. It is what I call second early coming in after Mitchels early. The plant is perfect in every respect one of the most her lthy, no sign or rust or disease about it. I have fruited it four years and

Erie, Pr., April 28, 96, W. F. Alen, Jr., Deir Sir:-The plants ordered from you came in good time. Ferant ne to think you for your promptaces in filling my order with good plants, and for your very lileral count, in not only the lower priced virieties but also in the most expensive ones. Very respectfully.

M R. BARR

Union Co., Pa., May 2, '96. Dear Sir: -Your box of strawberry plants received today. It may do you good to know that I regard them as the best lot of plants that I have ever seen. Clearly you understand your business.

Yours truly. HOWARD MILLER.

have tested it in dry seasons as well as the most favorable ones and in my wassessessessessesses opinion it has come to stay and will take first place. A strong staminate, rich in pollen."

Clyde B .- Plants from Stayman & Black. The plants are of very strong First ripe fruit June 11th. growth. Crop at hest June 24-26th. Fruit large to medium in size, round conical or broad conicel, dark scarlet color, flesh darkt productiveness 9.8, quality 8.5, Rececceccecceccecceccecce firmness 0 2.

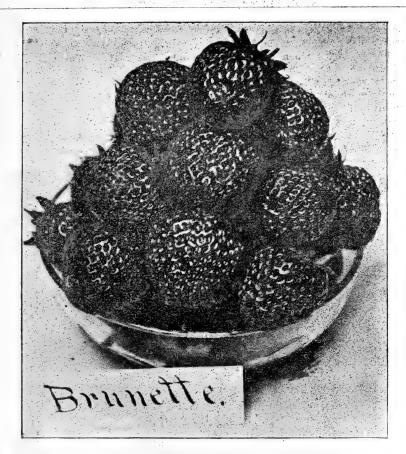
The plant remained healthy and crop held up well to close of season. They are productive and the berries are firm one of the most promising or the new varieties for market purposes. Michigan Experiment Station

In conclusion I will say that the proposition of th Clyde is a new berry of sterling qualities that is not likely to disappoint any 9 W. F. Allen, Jr., Salisbury, Md., one who invests in it. The plants have Dear Sir. Strawberry prants renever been sold until this season for provided and a nicer lot I never saw. less than \$10 to per 100 but I planted a 🙎 say you sell the cheapest and best good quantity of it hist spring and I . plants I have ever bought. am now able to offer it to the public at a price within the reach of all.

Montague Co., Tex., Mch. '96 Thanks for liberal count. I must !

Yours truly, J. LISTER BELLAH. 

have a large stock and my plants are very fine.



REDUCED SIZE.

BRUNETTE—The Brunette is a delightful berry. I have fruited it now for two years and am greatly taken with it. In color it is a rich deep red like port wine, not only all over the surface, but all the way through, and when you break one in two the fragments of the torn tissue sparkle in the sunlight like splinters of ruby crysials. It is a shapely berry, too, of a uniform dome-like outline. If a few Brunette berries were to be mingled promicously with a large number, made up of various other kinds, the Brunette could readily be picked out, their beautiful dark-red color and symmetrical outline distinguishing them from the rest. They are quite firm berries and I should think would stand shipping well. I have had no experience as to the latter fact, howevever, for my Brunettes were too good to sell, and just right to use at home or to give to one's best friends.

In respect to taste, the most striking characteristic of the Brunette as I had it, was its sweetness, in which quality it is far superior to any other strawberry within my knowledge.

Mr. G. Cowan, the originator, with whom it has fruited seven years, has described it thus: This variety, in its combination of delicious flavor and beauty

has probably taken a step in advance of any variety now generally cultivated. Recorries are above medium size, round and almost invariably perfect; of a dark mahogany color when fully ripe—a shade darker than Warfield—and without any white tip. The plant is a strong grower and as free from rust as any variety now cultivated; flower perfect. The fruit is quite firm, very handsome, and remarkable for its exquisite flavor. It is the most attractive strawberry in my collection, and readily sells for from three to five cents per quart more than my best Bubachs and Haverlands, on account of its superior qualities. For two seasons invalids at Muncie have sent regularly three miles in the country to the originator for Brunette berries, because they claimed it was the only variety they could eat with impunity.



REDUCED SIZE.

WM. BELT—This variety was originated in southern Ohio some eight years ago by the late Wm. Belt. Six years ago he sent it to Mr. M. Crawford on trial, claiming that it was larger than the Bubach, twice as productive, and of better quality. After testing it on light and heavy soils, and in both hills and matted rows, Mr Crawford was of the opinion that it was the most desirable variety that he had ever grown, and offered it to the American people with the greatest confidence. It has been tested at a number of experiment stations and has made a good record.

Mr. Crawford says: 'The plant is very large, a most luxuriant grower, and remarkably productive. At the end of last year's drouth, early in November, it was not surpassed for green, healthy appearance by any of over one hundred varieties on my place. Its blossoms are perfect, and it seems that each one is followed by a berry. It is medium in ripening—neither very early nor very late. Its size is very large indeed. No other variety ever gave me so many immense berries. In picking twelve quarts from a matted row with good common culture, I selected thirty seven that filled three quart baskets, and the other nine were all large. I have seen eight-inch berries on spring set plants within ten weeks of planting. In form it is conical, rather long and quite uniform in shape, except that the first berry on a fruit stalk is sometimes mis-shapen, especially with high culture. The color is a brilliant, glossy red, as near perfection as ever seen in a berry. It ripens all over without green tips. The quality is good—better than is usually found in large berries."

As grown by myself the Wm. Belt has proved itself to be a valuable berry. It is a good grower and makes a medium quantity of strong, healthy plants that are usually heavy rooted. The berries are as large, with some specimens larger, than the Bubach. I don't think it is twice as productive as Bubach, nor do I think it would be desirable for it to be, as in that case it would not be able to mature its immense load. It is about as productive as Bubach, and with half a show seems to mature every berry. It is more perfect in shape and far better in quality and a better grower than Bubach. Its color is perfect. The accompanying illustration was made from a photograph of a quart of berries picked by myself last June, from plants set during the last week of last March. Some of the berries weighed one ounce each. It shows some rust but it does not seem to affect the crop.

BOUNCER—''This is the big fellow offered without name in our catalogue last season. Our Customers made many suggestions as to the best fitting name for the largest strawberry known. A committee of horticultural editors selected the name "Bouncer," and we paid \$50 in gold to our customer, A. J. Allen, of Allen, Md. who suggested the name. This berry is a seedling of Jersey Queen. pollenized by Miner, posessing in a marked degree the finer points of both parents, but has a more vigorous plant, producing more and larger berries than either. The plant is a perfect bloomer and has the strong, robust habit of Parker Earle; while making runners more freely than that variety, it is only a moderate plant-maker, so that there is no over-crowding; hence every plant has a chance to do its best, which is one secret of the variety's great productiveness. Berries of extra-large size and of Miner type, both in form and color; flesh a deep red all through, and of spicy, rich flavor. For big berries and lots of them, plant Bouncer."—G. H. & J. H. Hale, introducers.

With me the Bouncer is a good grower. It makes very large, vigorous plants. The fruit is large and good quality, but very badly shaped, being ridged and crinkled in such a manner as to make it unattractive. It is also sadly deficient in productiveness here.



ELDICED SIZE.

BRANDYWINE—The above illustration is true to nature and was made from photograph of a quart of berries picked by the writer on the 12th of June 1865, on the farm of Mr. Edward Ingram, with whom it originated. Many of our to dets will naturally jump at the conclusion that this quart of berries was made up from the largest specimens to be obtained in the patch of 1½ acres, but so bix, not the case as crate after crate was being filled with beautiful fruit causily as fine as this shown in the illustration. This is not heavier or second from those, I was there to sector myself. On June 11th this plot containing 1 across yielded 1656 querits on 11 m querits per referent as a leepicking. This is one of the mest y landle ever sent out; it has not a single defect that Iknow of. The To yield it is a luxurant grower, healthy and hardy and very productive; blosson it that yet true yet true, of good form, bright red all over and good quality Season pedium to very late. It succeeds on any soil. Those who have been towns the Gandy will be more than pleased with the Brandywine. In shape

it is almost identical, equally as firm and has the advantage of being a far better grower and a great deal more productive. In short it is a decided improvement on that grand old variety. My stock of this variety is strictly pure and as fine as can be produced. Last year the demand for Brandywine was so great that it was next to impossible to find a plant for sale after the middle of April, My stock was probably the largest in existance at that time but every plant was sold by April 15th and most everybody else was sold out before this date. This year my stock of Brandywine is about three fourths of a million, and while I hope to be able to fill all orders I am not expecting to have any left.

MARSHALL-This has made a splendid growth cousidering the dry weath-



MARSHALL.

er. The foliage is very bluff and healthy looking and was among the most attractive in a field of over sixty kinds. As I have not yet fruited the Marshall I will give Mr. Crawfo.d's description.

"I have fruited the Marshall twice and am much pleased with it. I know of no other early berry that is as large and fine looking. The plant is faultless. The blossom is perfect and it is a good bearer. It is refreshing to see such large healthy plants. The fruit is immense, of regular roundish form, dark glossy red, and of better quality than is often found in so large berries."

My stock of this variety is large and very fine, and those who order Marshall of me will get plants that will be sure to please them.

MORGAN'S FAVORITE — This comes highly recommended from New for plants. The horrise are leaves in right.

York state. I have only fruited a very few plants. The berries are large in size irregular in shape and of fine quality. I don't think it will stand shipping, it may be valuable for local market where quality is demanded. The plants are as large as Marshall, vigorous and healthy.

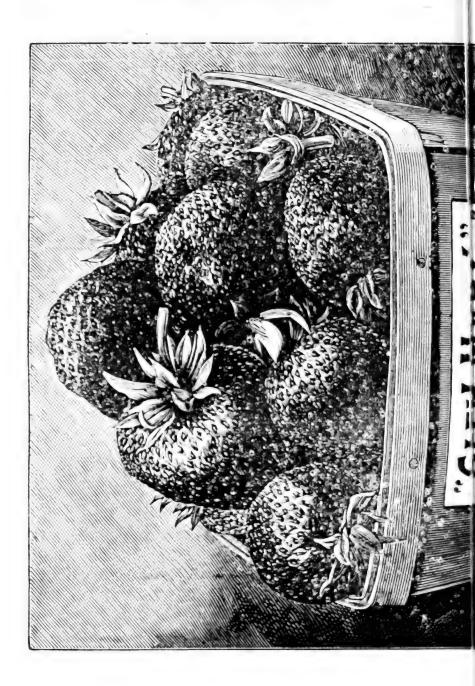
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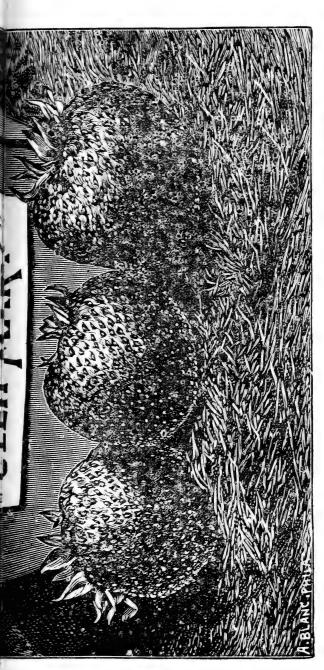
"1st.—It is the latest, ripens here in Massachussetts about July 1st. 2d.—It is very vigorous and never rusts. 3d.—It is immensely productive. 4th.—It is a most excellent shipper. 5th.—It is by all odds the handsomest berry ever exhibited and would be selected among a hundred varieties as the most showy berry." It was the most productive variety grown at the New York Experiment Station in 1893.

It fruited here last season and is very late and quite productive. It makes a good growth of healthy vines, nearly free from rust.

Plymouth Co., Mass. May 22, '96. Dear Sir:—The Glen Mary plants were received today in good condition. and were good plants to come from your section this late in the season. I thank you for the special packing which was evident, and for liberal count.

Yours truly, EDW. P. Spence,





I Will Pay \$100 in Gold

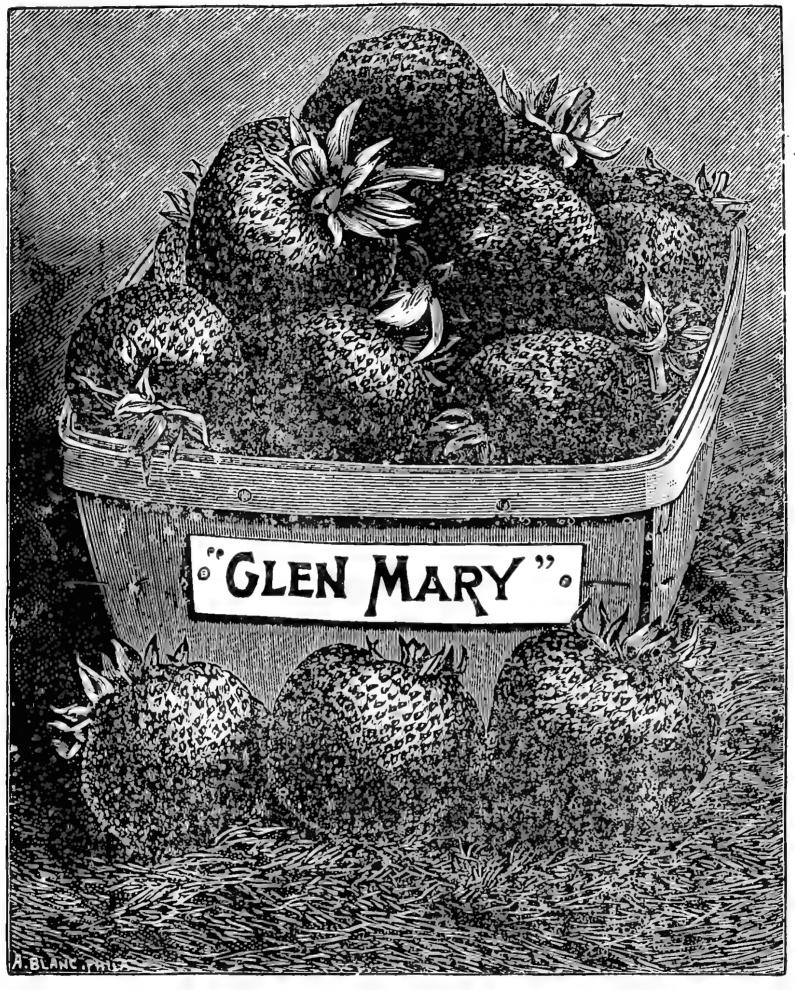
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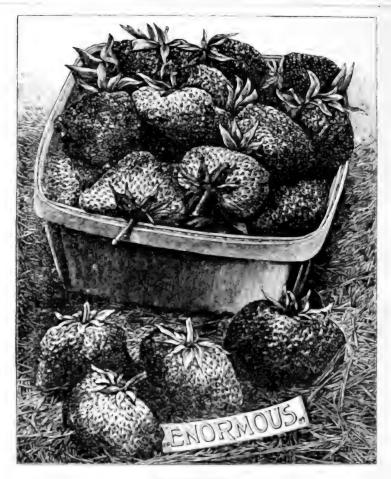
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REDUCED SIZE.

ENORMOUS—I have not fruited this for the two last seasons, owing to the fact that the demand has been so great for the plants. I have not had any left to fruit—This is a good grower, makes strong, healthy plants that root deeply and is betterfly tree from rust—swhen thest fruited it, it produced at the rate of the order to be a season be pecking on light soil, only medium in fertility, without manure. It is one of the best.

In September less, I sent a number of letters like the following, to parties to whom I sold plants, two years ago

Mr. ---- Deer Sir: Pleas write me what you think of the Enortious strawberry. Yours trithfully, W. F. ALLEN, JR.

Nearly all replied, and only two or three out of as many dezen, that did not speak in high terms of it, and those two or three had nothing to say against it. I will give below a tew of the answers

the energy of the Enormous very promising. My plat of this variety was bad

by damaged by the hail storm of May 12th last, but a portion of the fruit escaped and matured. The fruit was large to very large, of excellent color and quite firm

E. G. PACKARD, Delaware.

Baltimore county, Ind., Sept. 24, 1896. W. F. Allen. Jr., Salisbury, Md.. Dear Sir.—We have tested forty of the new varieties of strawberries and consider the Enormous one of the best. Respectfully, E. STABLER.

The Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station. Wooster. Wayne county, Ohio. Oct. 1, 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr., Salisbury. Md. Dear Sir:—In reply to your query concerning the Enormous strawberry I can say that it proved quite satisfactory here last season. The fruit is large, firm, well colored and make a fine appearance in the basket. They seem to hold up well in size to the last of the season and I judge that the plants are sufficiently prolific. It is a promising variety both for home use and market, so far as we are able to judge from a single season's trial.

Yours truly,

W. J. Green.

Augusta county, Va., Nov. 4, 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr. Dear Sir:—Your letter at hand asking me how I like the Enormous strawberry, and will say I think it the best berry I have, It is first class. The plants stood the dry weather of last summer splendid, and had plenty of berries on them in the spring, in short I think it is a bonanza.

Yours truly,

M. V. Brunk.

Ionia Co., Mich., October 16, 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr. Dear Sir:—In answer to your letter asking what I think of the Enormous strawberry, I will say that I have tried it along with twenty other leading varieties, and am well pleas ed with it. It is an all around good berry. Yours truly, CHARLEY COREY.

Hamilton county, Tenn., October 13, 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr., Salisbury. Md. Dear Sir:-In reply to yours of the 9th regarding the Enormous strawberry. I have fruited it but one season, and that was a particularly unfavorable one. I had it in a trial bed with thirty one other varieties—fifty plants of each, and all given the same treatment, which was good, thorough, field culture with the matted row system. The Enormous was one of the best growers of the lot. making plenty of plants but not too many, and there was no sign of rust or blight although it was a rusty year with me. The plants can evidently stand heat and drouth equal to the Bubach. The first quart of berries was picked eight days later than from the Michel's and the same day as the Haverland, but was much slower coming on, making its general crop much later than that variety. This spring during the latter part of the picking season; the weather was very dry and intensely hot-drying up the foliage and cooking the fruit of many varieties on the vines. But the Enormous seemed to stand it with the best, and ripened up nice large fresh berries long after other varieties had entirely failed. So far as tested, I regard it as one of our best late berries.

Very truly yours, O. N. GIBBONS.

Adam's Co., Ill. Mr. Allen:—In reply to your query I would say that I fruited the Enormous in a very limited way and in an unfavorable season. It was fruited with Brandywine, Lady Thomson, Timbrell. Greenville, Splendid, and others, and in my opinion it was decidedly superior to any of them in most all respects—I liked its color, size, quality, firmness and productiveness and vigor of plant.

Yours truly,

W. H. Morris.

Berrien county, Mich., September 28, 1896. Mr. W. F. Allen. Dear Sir:—
The Enormous leads them all; larger than Marshall or Bubach, and not quite
as productive as Haverland. Berries are large to very large. I am satisfied
with the Enormous. It can't be beat by other varieties for size, big berries, and
lots of them.

Yours truly,

LEWIS H. NASH.

Middlesex Co., Mass., September 24, 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr. Dear Sir:—I set 53 new varieties last season (1895,) and out of that number I have only five that I think worth keeping. The Enormous is one of these.

Yours respectfully, C. S. PRATT.

Montgomery county, Ohio. W. F. Allen, Jr. Dear Sir:—We think there is no better berry than the Enormous. The faliage is large and clear of rust. We think it will be a grand success in our soil. Yours, J. Vance & Son.

Saratoga county, N. Y.. Sept. 20 1896. W. F. Allen, Jr. Salisbury, Md. Dear Sir:—Enormous is rightly named in size and productiveness. I think it one of the best.

Yours truly,

WM. PALMER.

Burlington county, N. J., Sept 26, 1896. W. F. Allen, Dear Sir:—Your letter at hand and in reply will say that the Enormous did well for us both in plant and fruit, we only had a few plants to fruit as we sold and put out very close. The few plants that we left to fruit gave us large fine berries and plenty of them for so large a berry. I think well of it and shall plant it again.

Yours respectfully, JAS. LIPPINCOTT, JR.

CYCLONE—This has done well here. The vines are very healthy and a rank grower. The fruit somewhat resembles Haverland but is firmer. It has a perfect blossom and is a good one to fruit any of the early and second early pistillate kinds. It is very productive in fruit and an unusually strong grower.

I quote from the originator as follows: "Cyclone has a perfect flower, is the earliest with me, the plant is large and a vigorous grower, free from rust. It is as healthy and hardy as any ever sent out, makes many runners and is enormously productive. It excels all other kinds we have ever truited of the early varieties. We do not claim for it the largest size, but that it is above medium average, always of uniform shape, a bright color—the berries color all over at once a bright red, then change to a dark glossy red, the flavor is excellent and a number 1 shipper."

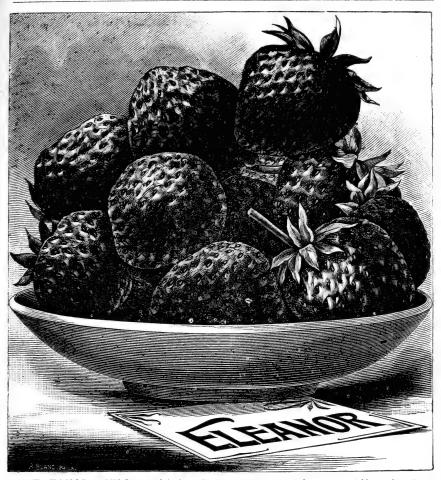
I have a large stock of this variety and they are extra fine.

6ANDY—A good reliable standard late variety. Fruit large, very firm, and an excellent market berry. It is productive under good culture. While it is is one of the best when properly fed and cultivated it will not thrive under neglect.

6ERTRUDE-"The Gertrude strawberry was a chance seedling found growing among some grape vines on my place in 1887 by my daughter Gertrude, from whom it derives its name. It has been carefully tested on different soils, has large, tall, bright green foliage that protects its blossoms from frost. known varieties this is one of the earliest to mature. It ripens with the Beder Wood, Sadie, Mitchell, and other early sorts, being larger than any early variety, and ranks in size with Sharpless, Bubach and Gandy. It holds well to the last picking, resembles the Edgar Queen in shape and has no ill shaped berries It is of a pleasing bright scarlet, very attractive, the coloring being even with no white tips. Its flesh is firm and of good quality. The plant is a marvel of beauty and is a treat to look at. It has no sign of rust or other defects about it and is exceedingly productive. During the past season it bore a profitable crop of fruit notwithstanding discouraging conditions of the extreme drouth that prevailed from the time fruit was set up to nearly five weeks, and this, too, with ordinary field culture. The blossoms are large and perfect, and well supplied with the much desired pollen, making it a grand pollenizer for other large pistillate sorts.-Introducer.

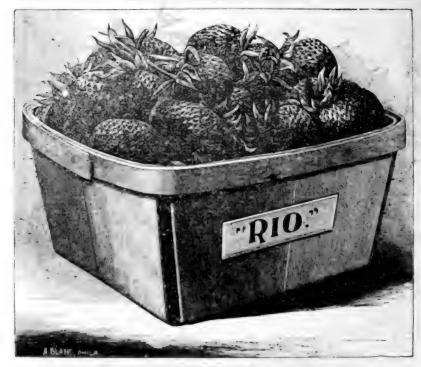
Gertrude has not fruited here yet. It is a very good grower with light green

healthy foliage.



ELEANOR.—With me this is a fine grower, somewhat resembling the Crescent. The foliage is healthy, without a trace of rust; medium early, medium size, good color and firm. It has a perfect blossom, and, judging from fruiting it one season, it is a good market berry, but not quite productive enough, and not as early as it was claimed. The introducer describes it as follows:

"For a long time fruit growers and amateurs alike have been looking for a strawberry that was both large and very early, possessing all the necessary properties of vigor and productiveness of plant, and firmness, fine appearance and good quality of fruit. In Crystal City we have earliness, but its berries are insignificant; in several other varieties large size, but they all ripen in midseason or late. The Eleanor is second to none in earliness, ripening with Crystal City and in advance of all others, in size rivaling the Sharpless, retaining its size well to the end of the season; in productiveness surpassing the famous Crescent; in firmness equal to the Wilson; is of a bright scarlet color and has few equals in quality. Among other valuable properties of the Eleanor may be mentioned its uniform size, color and shape, never cox-combed, and coloring evenly all over with no green tip, a strong staminate or perfect blossom, and especially vigorous, a field of it after picking season being as green as a field of clover when all other varieties are sere and brown.



REDUCED SIZE.

R10—Is a good early kind, large for an early berry. Strong, healthy foliage perfect blossom. Though not as early as Mitchel's Early, follows closely after it. The fruit is large size, evenly colored and firm enough for an excellent shipper. This is tast becoming a tavorite where firm early berries are wanted for shipping purposes. The above illustration will give an idea as to its size, as it was made from a photograph of a quart of berries grown on my place,

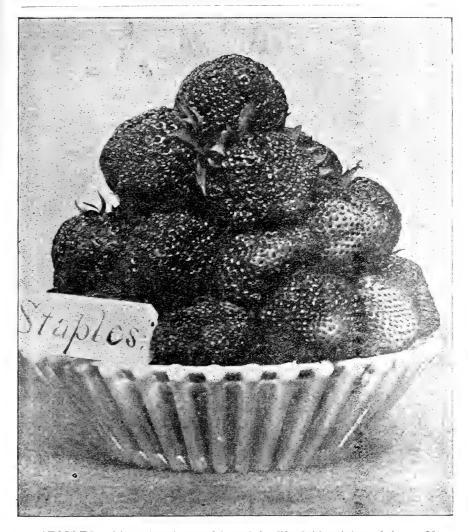
Edward T. Ingram, the well-known originator of Brandywine, says:

Kie is the earliest berry I have loand that is worth growing. The plant is strong and healthy, with plenty of good to hage; the bloom is perfect, insuring perfect truit, which is of large size for so early. It is of dark, glossy color and has an excellent flavor, free of muskiness.

Isle of Wight Co., Va., April 8th, 1896 Mr. W. F. Allen, Jr. Dear Sir;—Enclosed, please find check for the 5000 Tennessee Prohite strawberry plants which arrived a perfect order. Thave never seen anything packed so nicely. Thanks for prompt shipment and most liberal count.

Yours very truly, Geo. K. Nebus.

Mesa Co., Col., April 23, 1896. W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md. Dear Sir:—I must take time to report the fine condition in which the plants were received. They were a joy to look at. The long healthy roots sho vet care in cultivation and care in packing. I received a tot the same day from Michigan, and if one half of them live I will be happily disappointed. If one plant of yours dies I shall be surprised. I hope to favor you and myself with other orders in .95. Happy to have dealt with you.



STAPLES—This variety is a seedling of the Warfield originated by a Mr-Staples, now deceased, of Dayton. Ohio. The plant is only of moderate size very much resembling its parent, the Warfield, it is very vigorous and quite healthy. As many as 1142 plants have been grown from one in a single season by ordinary layering. A market gardener near Dayton, set out 48 plants on August 12, 1892, and from them and their runners he had over four bushels or truit in 1893. It is enormously productive, and yet has a perfect blossom. The truit is about the size and shape of the Warfield, it has a slight neck and its color is a very dark glossy red. It is doubtful if any other variety is darker colored clear through. The quality is superior to most dark berries. Its time of ripening is quite early, being only two or three days later than Mitchels or Meek's Farly. The fruit is very dry and firm, and will actually hang on the vines a week in good condition for a near market, after it is ripe enough to be picked itershipment. The berries in the accompanying illustration were picked by the writer last

May, and photographed from nature.

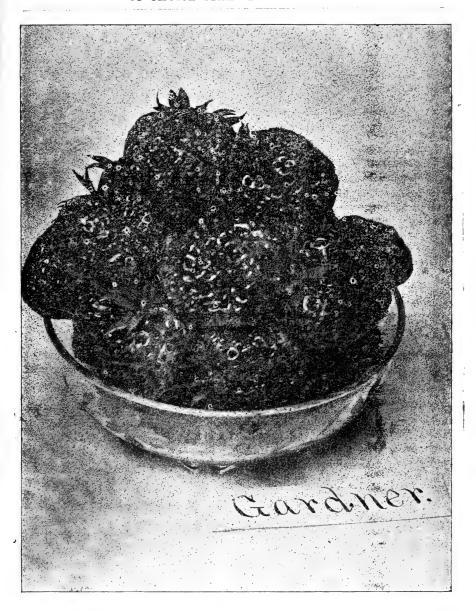


REDUCED SIZE.

TUBBS—This is a good berry of Crescent type. In size it runs through the season about like the first pickings of the Crescent—does not run down towards the last of the season like the Crescent.—I picked the above berries in the originator's patch near Baltimere and had them photographed as above. Mr. Tubbs, the originator, was then picking from 900 to 1000 quarts per acre at a single picking on very thin, sandy soil. In Anne Arunc'el County, where it originated it is considered the best berry grown.—It has a perfect blossom and is a very vigorous grower.—I have a large stock of plants that are exceptionally fine.

ANNIE LAURIE. - Healthy plant, fair growth, large size, good quality, unproductive with me, may do better elsewhere. M. Crawford, John T. Beaver and some other distinguished growers consider it one of the best.

AROMA.—"Berries large, bright color, very late and will likely take the place of Gandy. The berries are large, even and but few small ones. Moderately firm, but fine for nearby market; quality very good; foliage vigorous and will succeed on light land." The above description is borrowed, it has not fruited here yet.



GARDNER—"This berry was found growing wild in one of our Red Ccdar Groves eight years ago. When found there were but four plants. The large berries on plants growing in solid sod attracted our attention. We thought that a variety that would yield such large stems of berries in sod would do pretty well cultivated, and we have not been disappointed. It is a staminate variety; plants very stocky and large, averaging from 16 to 18 inches in height It fruits very heavy. It is a berry shaped like the Crescent, but very much larger, and holds its size down to the last picking better than any variety we

have ever grown. Ripens very early. It is a fast runner, entirely covering the ground in one season, set three feet apart in rows three and one half feet apart. Flavor very rich, nearest the wild strawberry of any variety we have ever grown. It will stand very severe drouth better than any variety now under cultivation, excepting none."-Originator.

I fruited a few plants of this variety last season. The plant is equally as large as Parker Earle and a great deal more vigorous. The fruit was of good size and color. The above illustration was made from a few berries I took over to the photographer and is nearly exact in size. The fruit is quite firm, and I think would bear shipping well.

SPLENDID-This berry is well named. The vines are a rich dark green in color, without a spot of rust or disease of any kind and grow like weeds. very productive of uniform medium size berries, berries that are firm and show up well in the package- It is an excellent shipper.

BUBACH NO. 5.- Too well known to need description here. It is sufficient to say that my stock of this old favorite is grown from the finest selected strain.

BARTON'S ECLIPSE. -This is a reliable standard that always gives satistaction. It is a splendid grower and a heavy yielder of large sized and good flavored berries. It is as large as Bubach, equally as productive and a much better shipper. It is positively one of the best of the standard sorts. I always plant largely of this and have never yet had occasion to regret doing so.

DAYTON, -Is a good medium early kind, large size, firm, good quality and moderately productive. I like it, and have a large stock of very fine plants.

PARIS KIN6-The plants are very healthy and vigorous and entirely free from rust. The fruit is large to very large, somewhat irregular in shape but good quality. The berry shown in the description is from a photograph and is a true representation of its general appearance except that it is considerably reduced in size. It is a strong staminate and an excellent variety to plant with large pistillate sorts. Paris King highly recommended by Mr. J. G. Bubach, the well-known originator of Bubach No. 5.

SAUNDERS- A Canadian berry of great value to the market grower. I wish that all my customers would test it, as it is among the most desirable. It makes many runners, has a perfect blossom, and is very productive. The fruit is large, conical,

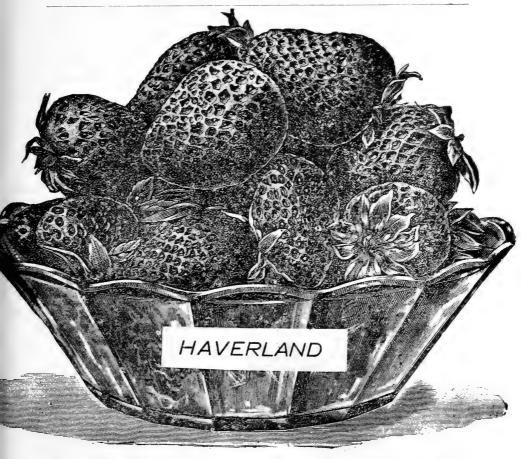


alightly flattened and often has a depression on one or both sides. It is deep red and remarkably glossy. The flesh is of the same color, and has a sprightly, agreeable flavor. This is also a very fine variety to plant with pistillate sorts, and is a good berry for most any purpose.

MUSKINGUM-A good late variety; fruit of large size and very uniform. It seldom varies in shape. The fruit is a bright glossy color and when gathered presents a very nice appearance.

PRINCESS-Plant healthy and vigorous. Very productive, blossoms pistillate, fruit large, of regular form, light red color, and excellent flavor. It is one of the heaviest yielders I have, the fruit literally piles up three and four deep around the plants.

MARY—Large size and firm, but with me it is unproductive and a very poor grower. In my opinion there are dozens of others better.



HAVERLAND—Too well known to need describing here. It is one of the old reliable kinds that succeeds everywhere and pleases everybody. My stock of this variety is very fine.

IVANHOE—Is comparatively a new sort, it fruited here last year and I consider it a very excellent early berry. It is one of the hardiest of plants, has a perfect blossom and is a good bearer. The fruit is large size, perfect in shape, bright red, excellent quality and one of the firmest, making it an excellent shipper.

LOVETT—Very productive, medium to large and firm, ripens the bulk of its enormous crop mid-season to late, though it often has a few scattering early berries. It is a vigorous healthy grower and a strong staminate, making it a valuable variety for fruiting pistillate sorts.

EDGAR QUEEN—Vines look as though they had been polished, very vigorous and healthy, fruit large size firm and productive if under good culture, a favorite with many. Season medium to late.

LEADER—This berry when everything is favorable is one of the finest ever produced. It is large size medium early, best quality and very attractive, always commanding good price in market. It requires a medium low, rather stiff, springy soil. It is no good on thin light land, but if you have a soil as above described you can depend on it to please you. Too soft for long shipment.

SHARPLESS—Well known everywhere for its large size and good quality, does best in low land. My stock of this variety is larger than usual. The demand for it seems to be increasing.

SUNRISE—This is claimed by Mr. Hale to be a very valuable variety. It has a vigorous healthy foliage and is very productive of medium sized fruit, but I do not see anything remarkable about it. With me it seems to be quite soft.

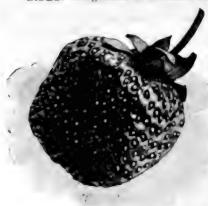
TENNESSEE PROLIFIC—Is one of the good medium early varieties, large size and quite productive. It is a very vigorous, healthy plant, with never a spot of rust, and I believe it is a variety that will do well under most any circumstances. It has a strong staminate blossom and is especially valuable as a pollenizer. This variety is largely grown in the vacinity of Norfolk, Va., one of the largest strawberry sections in the world.

WOLVERTON—I have fruited this four times and have found it to be reliable. It is large size and productive; strong staminate suitable to plant with pistillate varieties.

WILSON ALBANY-I have a few thousand of this old standard that are strictly pure. There seems to be some demand for it. Too well known to need a description.

ARROW-This is a very rank grower of healthy plants. The fruit is medium size, well colored and firm.

BISEL.—Originated in Southern Illinois, by D. L. Bisel. It is a seedling of



BISEL.

the Wilson. It has become noted as a market berry. It has fruited here once and the following is its measure, taken in the field when the fruit was ripe: "Healthy, (vigorous plant, very productive; fruit medium size, conical, regular, grossy red; good flavored and quite firm."

BEDAR WOOD,—very productive, early, medium size, rather soft for distant shipment; quite popular in some sections.

COLUMBIAN.—Has fruited here twice. I do not advise any one to plant it as I don't consider it worth growing if it does no better elsewhere than it does here. I have some very

tine plants I will sell cheap if any one wants them. I shall not plant any more of it.

BELMONT.—A good table berry, large size, good flavor, about medium in productiveness, makes a large, bluff, stalky plant.

CRESCENT.-Too well known to need description. Succeeds everywhere. My stock of this is large and fine.

ENHANCE—Has never pleased me. A good many recommend it. It is a good healthy grower, and bears a very dry and firm berry that will stand shipping, but it is always knotty with me. In sections where it is free from this defect it is probably very satisfactory.

6ANDY BELLE—Is a large berry, perfect bloom and very productive. Berries dark red when ripe. The plant is a very strong grower; always makes a heavy bed of plants. Time of ripening, early.

**GREENVILLE**—This has become generally known throughout the whole country. It is a vigorous grower and enormously productive of large berries. Many who fruited it last season speak in the highest terms of it. It is not as firm as would be desirable.

HOFFMAN—The great southern market berry, especially valuable for its shipping qualities, being perhaps the firmest berry grown—When it first turns red it will bear almost any amount of handling.

HOLLAND—Originated at Judsonia, Ark. Sent out for the first time last season. Where it originated, it is highly prized as a profitable market berry. It is a rank upright grower of the Sharpless type." It makes a good healthy grower here but has not fruited with me yet.

LADY THOMSON.—I saw this in fruit at several different places last season Where it was on sandy land it was very inferior and very unproductive, where it was on rather stiff soil it bore a good crop of large berries and was entirely satisfactory. It is early, but not so early as Mitchel's Early, Meek's Early or Hoffman.

JESSIE.—Where it succeeds it is a fine berry, but it is unreliable. Should be planted on a springy, rich loam or not at all.

MITCHEL'S EARLY.—The best extra early yet produced. There are several better that ripen three or four days later, but with me there is none as good that ripens as early.

MEEK'S EARLY.—Early as Mitchel's Early, but not as productive with me, and the berries turn nearly black in a few hours after picked, which greatly damages its market value.

STRAWBERRY RASPBERRY.-Originated in Japan and is said to be a



STRAWBERRY RASPBERRY.

hybred between a strawberry and a raspberry. In habit of growth the plant is distinct from both of the fruits named. It makes a compact bush from 18 to 20 inches high and is quite ornamental. The blossoms are very much like a large blackberry blossom and the fruit is well represented in our illustration. In flavor it is very much like a red raspberry. This new fruit has no commercial value as a fruit crop that I can see of. In the first place

it is not productive enough and then again it would be too expensive to harvest. It is all right for a curiosity to show your friends but don't plant it expecting to make it profitable. 6 plants for 60 cents or 12 for \$1, by mail post paid.

#### IN CONCLUSION.

I wish to say to my many friends and patrons that the foregoing descriptions are true to the best of my knowledge. What I have to say concerning the different varieties is as I have seen them. Where other authority is quoted I have endeavored to give the most reliable. Some varieties that do well here may fail at some other place, but it is not my desire or intention to describe any variety in a way to mislead or disappoint anyone.

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Brunette		30	1 20	1 00		00
Bouncer		23	1 00	80		00
Bubach (P)		20	70	50	3	00
Belmont		20	70	5(	3	00
Bisel (P)		20	70	50	3	00
Bedar Wood		20	70	50	3	00
Barton's Eclipse (P)		20	70	50	3	00
Clyde		40	1 70	1 50	10	00
Cyclone		20	70	50	9	50
Crescent (P)		20	70	50	9	50
Columbian		20	70	50	) 2	59
Dayton		20	70	50	) 3	00
Enormous (P)		25	1 00	80	6	00
Eleanor		20	70	56	) 3	00
Edgar Queen (P)		20	70	56	3	00
Enhance		50	70	5	9 3	00
Gardner		25	1 00	8	5	00
Gandy		20	80	6	0 3	50
Glen Mary		75	3 40	3 0	95	00
Giant		30	1 20	1.0	0 8	00
Greenville (P)		20	80	6	0 4	00
Gertrude		30	1 20	1 00	0	-
Gandy Belle		20	80	6		50
Great Pacific (P)		20	70	. 5		00
Haverland (P)		20	70	5		00
Hoffman		20	70	5		50
Holland		20	80	6		00
Ivanhoe		25	1 00	8	0	00
Jessie		20	70	50		00
Lady Thomson		20	70	5		00
Lovett		20	70	5		00
Leader		20	70	5		00
			1 20	8		00
Mitchell's Forly		30		5		
Mitchell's Early		20	70	5	-	50
Meek's Early		20	70	8		
Mary (P)		25	1 00			
Muskingum		20	80	6		00
Morgan's Favorite		30	1 40	1 0		
Paris King		20	80	60		00
Princess (P)		20	80	6	Samuel Inc.	
Rio		20	70	5	-	
Sunnyside (P)		20	80	6	Car of the state of the	-
Sunrise (P)		20	80			00
Staples		20	80	6	0 4	00

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Splendid\$	20	\$0 80	\$0 60	\$4 00
Saunders	20	70	50	3 00
Sharpless	20	70	50	3 00
Shuckless	20	70	50	3 00
Timbrell	25	1 00	80	
Tubbs	20	70	50	3 00
Tennessee Prolific	20	70	50	3 00
Wm. Belt	25	1 00	80	6 00
Wilson	20	70	50	3 00
Woolverton	20	80	60	4 00
Warfield	20	70	50	3 00

Those marked P have pistillate or imperfect blossoms and must be planted near some variety with perfect blossom to fruit them. I will furnish 30 of a kind or over at 100 rates, 500 or over at 1000 rates.

I am not offering any collections this season, because I have put the prices on all varieties very low and think it will be more satisfactory for our customers to select their own choice from the price list.

#### HIGH PRICED NOVELTIES.

I am not offering any high priced novelties this year because I have been unable to find any that were as good as those I offered for the first time last year. I am again putting such varieties as Glen Mary, Clyde, Brunette, Enormous, Brandywine, etc., at the head of my list because I have been unable for the last twelve months to find anything that would equal or surpass them. It is my intention to recommend only the best.

#### DISCARDED.

Some of the following varieties have some merit and some of them are entirely worthless, but none of them have enough good qualities to justify their cultivation when we have dozens of others so much better. The list is as follows: Acme, Accomack, Anna Forest. Alabama, Auburn, Bessie, Bidwell, Bomba, Beebe, Cloud Seedling, Chairs, Capt. Jack, Cowan, California, Clingto, Cameronian, Crystal City, Clark's Early, Dew, Eureka, E. P. Roe, Edward's Favorite, Farnsworth, Felton. Gipsy, Gen. Putman, Gov. Hoard, Hatfield, Hyslup, Henderson, Jay Gould, Jucunda, Klickitia, Kentucky, Lady Rusk, Leviathan, Lida, Mineola, Monarch, Manchester, Mammoth, Middlefield, Ontario, Old Iron Clad, Oregon Everbearing, Pineapple, Price Seedling, Pearl, Parry, Reginia, Shaw, Sandoval, Southard, Stevens, Viola, Yale.

New additions to the discarded list:—Banquet, Belle, Columbian, Gillespie, Mrs. Cleveland, Princeton Chief, Robinson, Shuster's Gem, Stayman No. 1., Swindle (rightly named.) and Van Deman. Others will soon follow as it is my intention to grow only the best,

#### NEW NAMES FOR OLD VARIETIES.

Bubach No. 5 is now being sold at an advanced price by quite a number of persons under the name of Western Union. I have fruited both side by side and know what I am saying to be a fact,

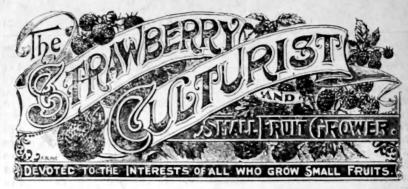
Early Idaho is Clark's Early renamed. Boynton is Crescent under a new name. Ella is only a new name for Mitchel's Early. Bedar Wood is called Racster by some.

Gandy and First Season are identical. Lovett was first called Lovett's Early.

Sandoval and Warfield No. 1 are the same.

Michael's Early, Michel's Early, and Mitchel's Early are the same. Gandy Belle, Isabella and No Name are one and the same.

Shuckless is said to be the old Mt. Vernon under a new name.



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